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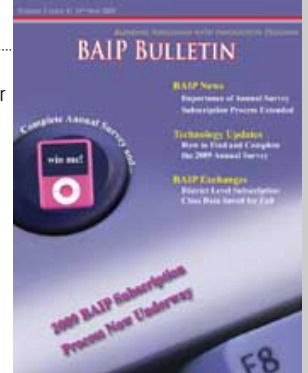
BAIP News

Another school year is coming to a close for you and for the BAIP staff. This spring marks the culmination of five years of our collective work on BAIP. Each year within the eLearning Design Lab, we have some staff turnover due to graduation; however, many students have been with BAIP throughout their graduate studies. One student recently graduated after being with us several years and is now on professional staff. All of our staff has worked on BAIP since John Poggio engaged us in working with him on the BAIP concept. It has been an exciting and rewarding experience for those of us in the eLearning Design Lab.

For us the most rewarding aspect of the BAIP experience has been the responsiveness of teachers. We appreciate their willingness to routinely share error reports, general suggestions, and to respond to the Annual Survey. In the spring of 2008, we received 1,064 responses to our instrument. Since the release of this year's survey on May 8, we have received 747 responses. This is great, but our goal is to exceed the total number from last year. While we use the results to make decisions on revisions in BAIP, this year there is a special need for data as we seek external support for distribution of BAIP to all of you. If you have not yet responded to the survey, please do so. We greatly appreciate those who have already participated.

The subscription process continues and we will continue to accept requests throughout the summer. If a district is unable to commit at this time, and wants to be alerted as we get closer to setting a deadline, please email Cheryl Harrod at charrod@ku.edu indicating their request to be included in an alert. Also during this subscription process, we continue to compete for external support. That process takes time as proposals are developed and submitted for national review. Clearly, we have found that the competition is extensive. There are also few funding options that are targeted to distribution. We are working on the generalization of BAIP to other states and that will enhance our competitiveness, but that too takes time. We will keep you informed as to our progress in these efforts.

We are making excellent progress with the parent activities aligned with lessons while science lessons and tutorials continue in development. If you have an interest in writing science lesson content contact Diana Greer at dgreer@ku.edu.



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Tech Updates

Annual Survey

As has been mentioned elsewhere in this bulletin, it's time for our "Annual 2009 BAIP Math Feedback Survey". This is your chance to tell us what you liked and didn't like about BAIP.

How do you get to the survey?

Unique Email Link

If you are a teacher or administrator registered to use BAIP, you should have received an email recently from "BAIP Project info@elearndesign.org" with the subject line, "BAIP Project 2008-09 end of year survey".

This email includes a link tied to your own personal version of the survey. By tying the survey to your BAIP account, you can follow this link as often as you like without making multiple survey submissions. Each time you follow the link you'll see the survey data as you last submitted it. If you're not sure how to answer a survey submission, save what you've submitted so far and use this email link to return later.

Do not share this link with others as it will only affect your own survey submission and will give others access to your private BAIP account.

Link in your Account

If you login to BAIP you might also see a temporary link entitled "Complete 2009 BAIP Survey" (on the "My Classes" page in the "Tools" section on the left side of the page).

You will only see this link if you haven't yet completed the survey.

Why does it tell me my survey is incomplete?

When you submit your survey, you may be surprised with a message that tells you your survey is incomplete ("Highlighted questions incomplete"). The survey will try to help you find the problem by highlighting the problematic question(s).

Question 5

Question 5 is actually a collection of many questions. You can think of the options as questions 5a, 5b, 5c, 5d, and 5e. All 5 of these sub questions (5a-5e) need to be answered for question 5 to be registered as completed. If you haven't used a certain resource then think about why you didn't use that resource and rate it accordingly.

Lesson Questions & Tutorial Questions & Required Questions

Questions with blue asterisks are required by all respondents. If a question has a red asterisk, its MIGHT be required. Isn't a question either required or not required? Not in this survey.

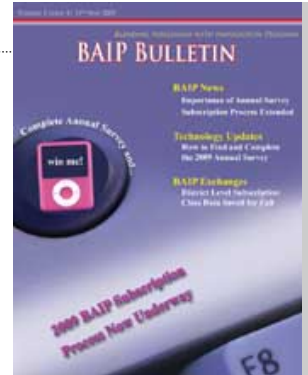
Basically, if you respond that you've taught at least 1 BAIP lessons (question #1) then all the lesson specific, red asterisk questions below it become required. The same is true with tutorial questions. If you report that you've used at least 1 BAIP tutorial (question #11) then all the tutorial related, red asterisk questions below it become required.

Why worry about completing the survey?

Why is completing the survey so important? In addition to giving us a full understanding of what you liked and did not like about BAIP, it also makes you eligible for our **8GB Nano iPod** giveaway!

Thanks for using BAIP this year and thanks for helping us make BAIP better. As always, please feel free to contact me with your questions and comments.

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Exchange

Questions from Kansas teachers about BAIP:

- What happens if my district does not register to access BAIP until the fall? Will my student data be lost?

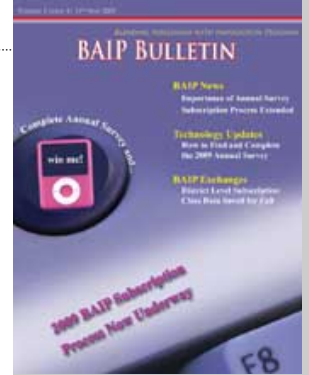
If your district does not register in time, don't worry. Data on your current classes will be saved for a period of time to allow districts enough time to re-subscribe to BAIP in the fall.

- I am not sure if our district will subscribe. Can I subscribe to access BAIP in the fall?

At this time, subscriptions to BAIP are only available at the district level.

* If your interested in getting e-mail updates when new bulletins are available, click the "Subscribe" envelope on the right. You will have a chance to enter your e-mail address to keep up-to-date on the latest BAIP news.

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